

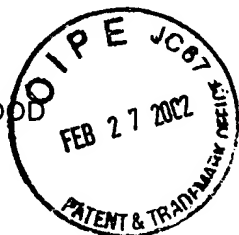


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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$312.
 - \$72 for 8 total claims over 20.
 - \$240 for 3 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 442.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: James J. Hickman, Douglas A. Kirkpatrick, and David A. Stenger
Serial No. 09/880,138
Filed: June 12, 2001
For: Biosensor For Use In Toxicity Assessment and Pharmacological Screening
Examiner: Unassigned

BOX MISSING PARTS Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231	CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8 <small>I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO BOX MISSING PARTS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, WASHINGTON, D.C., 20231 ON 02/11/02</small> BY <u>Shirley Dow</u> SHIRLEY DOW February 11, 2002 Date of Signature
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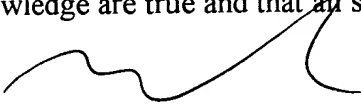
**DECLARATION OF MARK B. MIZRAHI IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO FILE
DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION BY JOINT INVENTOR ON BEHALF
OF NONSIGNING INVENTORS, AND STATEMENT OF FACTS IN SUPPORT
THEREOF, UNDER 37 CFR § 1.47(a)**

I, Mark B. Mizrahi, declare:

1. I am an associate with the law firm of Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP, acting on behalf of Science Applications International Corporation ("SAIC") in the above-matter.
2. This Declaration is provided in support of SAIC's Petition To File Declaration By Joint Inventor On Behalf Of Nonsigning Inventor Who Refuses to Sign, And Statement Of Facts In Support Thereof, Under 37 CFR § 1.47(a).
3. Prior to the filing of this application, I made various efforts to locate Dr. Stenger, including performing/commissioning an extensive Internet search, wherein it was determined that he was a United States Naval Research Laboratory employee. Soon after having located and contacted Dr. Stenger, by letter dated November 9, 2001 addressed to Dr. Stenger via Certified Mail with return receipt, I provided Dr. Stenger with a true and complete copy of the subject patent application, and the requisite 37 CFR 1.63 inventors' declaration for his execution. (See Exhibit C to the Petition). On or about November 10, 2001, I called Dr. Stenger by telephone, informing him that he should expect to receive the materials via Certified Mail. Dr. Stenger stated that he would review the materials and would promptly respond. Not having heard back from Dr. Stenger, on December 3, 2001, I left a voicemail for Dr. Stenger inquiring into the status of the paperwork. Dr. Stenger responded the following morning by telephone, stating that he had not received the November 9, 2001 letter and enclosures and asked that they be re-sent.

4. On December 4, 2001, I re-sent the November 9, 2001 letter and enclosures to Dr. Stenger, this time via Federal Express. (See Exhibit E to Petition). Via teleconference on December 20, 2001, Dr. Stenger informed me that he declines to participate in the prosecution of the application. Later that same day, Dr. Stenger confirmed this in writing and specifically declined to execute the 37 CFR 1.63 Inventors Declaration. (See Exhibit F to Petition).

The undersigned, being hereby warned that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and that such willful false statement may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issued thereon, declares that all statements made of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.



Signature

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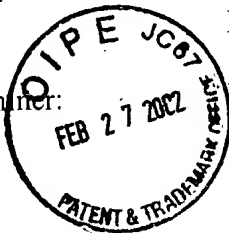
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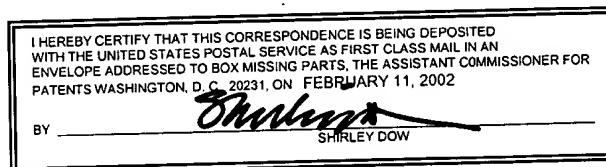


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**TRANSMITTAL OF AND RESPONSE TO
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Dear Sir or Madam:

In response to the *Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Filing Date Granted* mailed August 9, 2001, Applicant submits the following documents:

1. Copy of *Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (Part 2)*;
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.236(a), for which there is a fee of \$1,440.00;
3. Fully executed Declarations of inventors James J. Hickman and Douglas A. Kirkpatrick;
4. Petition to File Declaration for Patent Application By Joint Inventor on Behalf of Nonsigning Inventor Who Refuses To Sign, and Statement of Facts In Support Thereof, Under 37 CFR § 1.47(a), for which there is a fee of \$130.00; and
5. Request for Correction of Filing Receipt.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$1,570.00 under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16(e) and 1.17 which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1597.

Respectfully submitted,

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